

AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A compound comprising:
 - a. at least one elastomeric polymer having an average molecular weight M_n of more than 20,000 g/mol and less than 15 wt.% of solid matter insoluble in boiling cyclohexane under reflux for 60 min comprising repeating units derived from at least one C_4 to C_7 isomonoolefin monomer, at least one multiolefin cross-linking agent and at least one chain transfer agent,
 - b. at least one filler and
 - c. a peroxide curing system,wherein the elastomeric polymer does not comprise a conjugated diene or a C_4 to C_{14} multiolefin monomer, and
wherein the chain transfer agent has a transfer coefficient of at least 10 and is 1-methylcycloheptene, 1-methyl-1-cyclopentene, 2-ethyl-1-hexene, 2,4,4-trimethyl-1-pentene, indene or a mixture thereof.
2. (Original) A compound according to Claim 1, wherein the multiolefin cross-linking agent(s) is norbornadiene, 2-isopropenylnorbornene, 5-vinyl-2-norbornene, 1,3,5-hexatriene, 2-phenyl-1,3-butadiene, divinylbenzene, diisopropenylbenzene, divinyltoluene, divinylxylene, C_1 to C_{20} alkyl-substituted derivatives of the above compounds or mixtures thereof.
3. Cancelled.
4. (Previously Presented) A compound according to Claim 1, wherein the peroxide system is an organic peroxide.

PO-7945

- 2 -

5. (Original) A compound according to Claim 4, wherein the peroxide system is dialkylperoxides, ketalperoxides, aralkylperoxides, peroxide ethers, peroxide esters, such as di-tert.-butylperoxide, bis-(tert.-butylperoxy-isopropyl)-benzene, dicumylperoxide, 2,5-dimethyl-2,5-di(tert.-butylperoxy)-hexane, 2,5-dimethyl-2,5-di(tert.-butylperoxy)-hexene-(3), 1,1-bis-(tert.-butylperoxy)-3,3,5-trimethyl-cyclohexane, benzoylperoxide, tert.-butylcumylperoxide, tert.-butylperbenzoate or a mixture thereof.
6. (Original) A compound according to Claim 1, wherein the polymer comprises one or more additional polymerizable co-polymers selected from the group consisting of p-methylstyrene, styrene, α -methylstyrene, p-chlorostyrene, p-methoxystyrene, indene and mixtures thereof.
7. (Previously Presented) A compound according to Claim 1 further comprising a rubber selected from the group consisting of polybutadiene, butadiene/acrylic acid-C₁-C₄-alkylester-copolymers, polychloroprene, polyisoprene, styrene/butadiene-copolymers with styrene contents in the range of 1 to 60 wt%, butadiene/acrylonitrile-copolymers with acrylonitrile contents of 5 to 60 wt%, partially or totally hydrogenated NBR-rubber, ethylene/propylene/diene-copolymers, fluoropolymers, fluororubbers and mixtures.
8. (Original) A process for the manufacturing of a compound according to Claim 1, wherein the elastomeric polymer is mixed with at least one filler and at least one peroxide curing system in a mixing means.
9. (Previously Presented) A process for the manufacturing of an elastomeric polymer comprising the step of polymerizing a monomer mixture comprising at least one C₄ to C₇ isomonoolefin monomer, at least one multifunctional cross-linking agent, and at least one chain-transfer agent in the presence of a catalyst,

wherein the polymer contains less than 15 wt.% of solid matter insoluble in boiling cyclohexane under reflux for 60 min and has no double-bonds in the polymer chain, and wherein the chain transfer agent has a transfer coefficient of at least 10 and is 1-methylcycloheptene, 1-methyl-1-cyclopentene, 2-ethyl-1-hexene, 2,4,4-trimethyl-1-pentene, indene, or a mixtures thereof.

10. (Original) A shaped article comprising a compound according to Claim 1.
11. (Original) A vulcanized shaped article prepared by vulcanizing a shaped article according to Claim 7.
12. (Currently Amended) A compound comprising:
 - a. at least one elastomeric polymer having an average molecular weight M_n of more than 20,000 g/mol and less than 15 wt.% of solid matter insoluble in boiling cyclohexane under reflux for 60 min comprising repeating units derived from at least one C_4 to C_7 isomonoolefin monomer, at least one multiolefin cross-linking agent and at least one chain transfer agent,
 - b. at least one filler, and
 - c. a peroxide curing system,wherein the compound is isoprene free, wherein the polymer does not comprise a conjugated diene or a C_4 - C_{14} multiolefin monomer and wherein the chain transfer agent has a transfer coefficient of at least 10 and is 1-methylcycloheptene, 1-methyl-1-cyclopentene, 2-ethyl-1-hexene, 2,4,4-trimethyl-1-pentene, indene, or a mixtures thereof.